श्री जगदम्बी प्रसाद यादव : सभापति जी, "भगीरथ", चूंकि ज्यादा समय नहीं है, इसलिए संक्षिप्त रखता हूं, यह 1984 के अक्तूबर में निकलनी थी और अब 1985 का अक्तूबर होने वाला है, अभी तक यह प्रकाशित नहीं हुई । इसी प्रकार हिन्दी की जितनी पत्रिकाएं हैं, वह संपादक के कारण, स्टाफ के कारण प्रकाशित नहीं हो रही हैं और मंत्रीजी की टेबल पर वह कान रखा हुआ है, तो कब तक आप ऐसा करेंगे कि ओरिजनल टाइम पर ही इनका प्रकाशन हो सके ?

SHRI B. SHANKARANAND: We will take necessary steps to publish these magazines.

MR. CHAIRMAN: Question Hour is over.

WRITTEN ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS

Road tax collection in Delhi

*324 SHRI F.M. KHAN: Will the Minister of SHIPPING AND TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal under Government's consideration that annual collection of road tax for Delhi be abolished and replaced by lumpsum collection of road tax at the time of registration for the life-span of a vehicle; and

(b) if so, what are the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SHIPPING AND TRANSPORT (SHRI Z. R. ANSARI): (a) No such proposal has been received from Delhi Administration.

(b) Does not arise.

Adverse Effects of Smoking

*330. DR. SHANTI G. PATEL: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) what steps Government propose to take to discourage smoking which may lead to fatal diseases such as cancer; and

(b) whether Government propose to enact a law to control media advertising of various cigarette brands designed to stimulate smoking demand?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH (SHRI YOGENDRA MAKWANA): (a) and (b) The Government has taken the following steps to discourage smoking in general:

1. In accordance with the provisions of Cigarette (Regulation of Production, Supply and Distribution) Act, 1975 the manufacturers are required to display on every cigarette packet/advertisement/hoarding the statutory warning "Cigarette Smoking is injurious to health".

2. It has also been decided that All India Radio and Doordarshan would not accept any advertisements which encourage smoking.

3. The Department of Sports have issued instructions prohibiting display of hoardings pertaining to liquor and cigarettes in the Asiad Stadia.

4. Health education publicity on the hazards of smoking have been undertaken through mass media channels like Radio, TV and films.

Since there is no ban on production and trade in cigarettes, there are no statutory powers to consider a blanket ban on display of advertisements etc.

Inter-State water disputes

*332 SHRI M. BASAVARAJU: Will the Minister of IRRIGATION AND POWER be pleased to state:

(a) what efforts the Central Government has made during the last three years to resolve the inter-State water disputes; and